



RECEIVED

JAN 06 2004

TC 1700

AF  
1773  
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/058,810 Confirmation No. : 7867  
Applicant : UTE NEGELE, et al.  
Filed : April 13, 1998  
TC/A.U. : 1773  
Examiner : V. Chen  
Docket No. : 038738.44173~  
Customer No. : 23911  
Title : METAL SUBSTRATE FOR A VEHICLE BODY

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ON THE 37CFR1.116

**Mail Stop AF**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed October 1, 2003, the Amendment and Response is submitted. No additional fees are believed to be required. However, a formal request for extensions and payment of fees is made below in the event such fees would be necessary. Please amend this application as set forth in the listing of claims.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.